



**TEMPORARY**  
**THE STATE OF NEVADA**

**PERMIT TO CHANGE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE  
STATE OF NEVADA HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED**

**Name of Permittee:** CORTEZ JOINT VENTURE  
**Source:** UNDERGROUND  
**Basin:** CRESCENT VALLEY  
**Manner of Use:** MINING, MILLING, AND DEWATERING  
**Period of Use:** ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF ISSUANCE.  
**Priority Date:** 09/15/1952

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**APPROVAL OF STATE ENGINEER**

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing application, and do hereby grant the same, subject to the following limitations and conditions:

This temporary permit, to change the point of diversion and place of use of a portion of the waters of an underground source as heretofore granted under Permit 72677, is issued subject to the terms and conditions imposed in said Permit 72677 and with the understanding that no other rights on the source will be affected by the change proposed herein. This well shall be equipped with a two (2) inch opening for measuring depth to water. A totalizing meter must be installed and maintained in the discharge pipeline near the point of diversion and accurate measurements must be kept of water placed to beneficial use. The totalizing meter must be installed before any use of the water begins or before the proof of completion of work is filed. If the well is flowing, a valve must be installed and maintained to prevent waste. This source is located within an area designated by the State Engineer pursuant to NRS 534.030. The State retains the right to regulate the use of the water herein granted at any and all times.

This temporary permit does not extend the permittee the right of ingress and egress on public, private or corporate lands.

The issuance of this temporary permit does not waive the requirements that the permit holder obtain other permits from State, Federal and local agencies.

This temporary permit is issued pursuant to the provisions of NRS 533.345 Section 2 and will expire 1 year after the approval of the permit at which time all rights herein granted shall revert to the right being changed by this temporary permit.

This temporary permit is issued as a preferred use as provided in NRS 534.120.

This temporary permit is issued subject to the Pipeline Gold Project Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Plan submitted to the State Engineer on August 2, 1993. The State Engineer may require additional monitoring should conditions warrant such modification.

This temporary permit will allow the permittee to dewater the mine area. It is understood that any water produced as a result of this dewatering operation shall be used first by the permittee for mining, milling and related uses.

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An annual total of 3,413.93 acre-feet of water produced from dewatering may be used consumptively from Permit 72675, Permits 72677 through 72684 and Permits 78086 and 89281T for mining and milling purposes.

An annual total of 6,595.27 acre-feet of water produced from dewatering may be used consumptively from Permits 79897, 80130 through 80138, Permit 85200, Permits 88124 through 88127 and Permit 88432 for stock and irrigation.

Any water produced from dewatering in excess of 10,009.20 acre-feet annually shall be returned to the Crescent Valley Groundwater Basin via infiltration galleries or injection wells. The design of the rapid infiltration basins or injection wells and the delivery system to these sites shall be submitted to the State Engineer for approval.

Monthly records shall be kept of the following and reported within 15 days after the end of each quarter:

- A. The total volume of water pumped from each diversion in acre-feet.
- B. The maximum flow rate from each diversion in cubic feet per second.
- C. The pumping water level from each well in feet above mean sea level.
- D. The volume of water consumptively used for mining and milling in acre-feet.
- E. The amount of water diverted to the infiltration or injection sites in acre-feet.
- F. The amount of water diverted to other stock and irrigation, if any, in acre-feet.
- G. The amount of water lost through evaporation or other system losses project wide.

The total combined diversion rate under Permits 57138 and 57144; Permits 57146 through 57148; Permits 72674 and 72675; Permits 72677 through 72685; Permits 72687 through 72689; Permits 78085, 78086 and 79897; Permits 80130 through 80138; Permits 80935 through 80938; Permits 80972 through 80975; Permits 82046, 84319, 85200 and 86208E; Permits 88120 through 88129 and Permits 88432 and 89281T shall not exceed 78.166 cubic feet per second. The total combined withdrawal of water under these permits shall not exceed 50,993.44 acre-feet annually.

The point of diversion and place of use are as described on the submitted application to support this permit.

The amount of water to be appropriated shall be limited to the amount which can be applied to beneficial use, **not to exceed 0.56 cubic feet per second and 100 acre-feet annually.**

Work must be prosecuted with reasonable diligence and proof of completion of work shall be filed on or before:

N/A

Water must be placed to beneficial use and proof of the application of water to beneficial use shall be filed on or before:

N/A

Map in support of proof of beneficial use shall be filed on or before:

N/A

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, TIM WILSON, P.E.,

Acting State Engineer of Nevada, have hereunto set my hand  
and the seal of my office, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019

  
Acting State Engineer

**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO CHANGE POINT OF DIVERSION, MANNER  
OF USE AND PLACE OF USE OF THE PUBLIC WATERS  
OF THE STATE OF NEVADA HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED**

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date of filing in State Engineer's Office

OCT 23 2019

Returned to applicant for correction

Corrected application filed

Map filed

OCT 23 2019

The applicant Cortez Joint Venture1655 Mountain City Hwyof Elko

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State and ZIP Code

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hereby make(s) application for permission to change the

☒ Point of diversion☒ Place of use☐ Manner of use☒ of a portion

of water heretofore appropriated under (Identify existing rights by Permit, Certificate, Proof or Claim Nos. If Decreed, give title of Decree and identify right in Decree.)

Permit 726771. The source of water is Underground - Robertson Test Well

Name of stream, lake, underground, spring or other sources.

2. The amount of water to be changed 0.56 c.f.s., not to exceed 100.0 acre-feet annually

Give diversion rate in cubic feet per second (CFS) AND duty in acre-feet annually (AFA).

3. The water to be used for mining, milling, dewatering, and domestic

Irrigation, power, mining, commercial, etc. If for stock, state number and kind of animals. Must limit to one major use

4. The water heretofore used for mining, milling, dewatering, and domestic (no change)

If for stock, state number and kind of animals.

5. The water is to be diverted at the following point (Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey and by course and distance to a found section corner. If on unsurveyed land, it should be stated.)

Within the SW¼ NW¼ Section 8, T. 28N., R. 47E., M.D.M., or at a point from which the Southeast Corner of said Section 8, bears South 50° 07' East, a distance of 5,602 feet (Robertson Test Well).

Please refer to sketch accompanying this application.

6. The existing point of diversion is located within (If point of diversion is not changed, do not answer.)

within the SE¼SE¼ Section 6, T. 27N., R. 47E., M.D.M., or at a point from which the Southeast Corner of Section 32, T. 28N., R. 47E., M.D.M., bears North 49° 36' East, a distance of 8,337 feet (DB-25).

Please refer to supporting map on file under Application 72665.

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7. Proposed place of use (Describe by legal subdivisions. If for irrigation, state number of acres to be irrigated.)

Within all of Sections 8 and 9, and the N½ Section 16, T. 28N., R. 47E., M.D.M.

Please refer to sketch accompanying this application.

8. Existing place of use (Describe by legal subdivisions. If changing place of use and/or manner of use of irrigation permit, describe acreage to be removed from irrigation )

Within:

T. 27N., R. 46E., M.D.M.: Sections 12, 13, 23, 24, 25, and 26;

T. 27N., R. 47E., M.D.M.: Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 18, and unsurveyed Section 19;

T. 28N., R. 47E., M.D.M.: Sections 13, 15, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, & 33.

Please refer to supporting map on file under Application 72665.

9. Proposed use will be from January 1 to December 31 of each year.  
Month and Day Month and Day

10. Existing use permitted from January 1 to December 31 of each year.  
Month and Day Month and Day

11. Description of proposed works. (Under the provision of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.) (State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e., diversion structure, ditches, pipes and flumes or drilled well, pump and motor, etc.)

Drilled well, temporary pump and motor for use in aquifer test for the Robertson Mine Exploration Project.

12. Estimated cost of works in excess of \$1,000,000

13. Estimated time required to construct works 1 year

If well completed, describe well.

14. Estimated time required to complete the application of water to beneficial use N/A

15. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project and its water usage (use attachments if necessary): (Failure to provide a detailed description may cause a delay in processing.)

This temporary application is being filed to perform an extended pump test which will help evaluate the hydrology and characteristics of the aquifer for future mining purposes. The parameters of the pump test require pumping at rates up to 250 gpm for up to 90 days.

16. Miscellaneous remarks:

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APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED  
BY THE APPLICANT OR AGENT

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Type or print name clearly

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